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 Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

RECYCLING DEPOT HOURS: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 7 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT (main office): Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.;
 Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS: Open 24 hours



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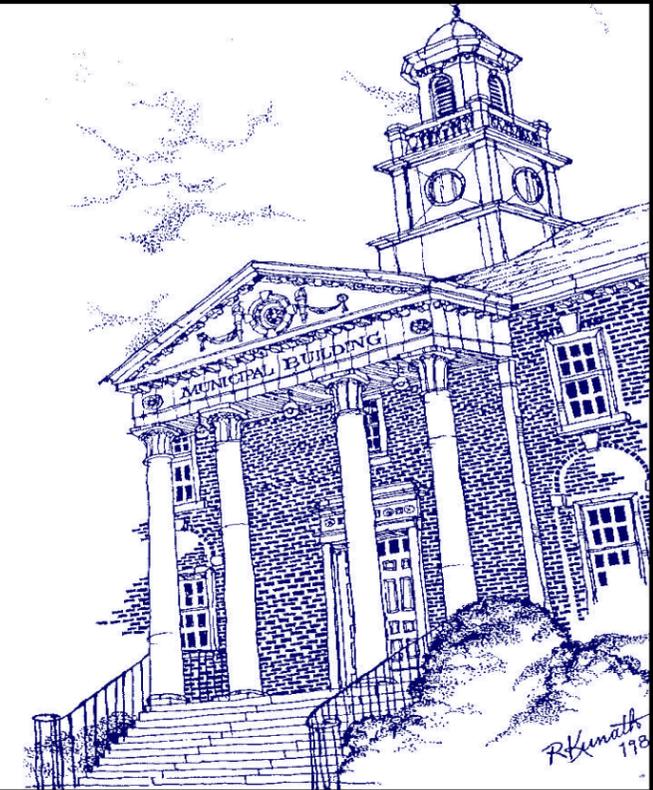
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November 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Zone Info Map may be found on page 2	1 ★ Recycling: Zone 5	2 ★ Recycling: Zone 6 Election Day Polls open 6am—8pm	3 ★ Recycling: Zone 7	4 ★ Recycling: Zone 8	5	6
7 Daylight Saving Time Ends today; set your clocks back an hour 	8 ★ Recycling: Zone 1	9 ★ Recycling: Zone 2	10 ★ Recycling: Zone 3	11  Closed in Observance of Veterans Day Township Service 11am	12 ★ Recycling: Zone 4	13
14 Change your clock & batteries!	15 ★ Recycling: Zone 5	16 ★ Recycling: Zone 6	17 ★ Recycling: Zone 7	18 ★ Recycling: Zone 8	19	20
21	22 ★ Recycling: Zone 1	23 ★ Recycling: Zone 2 Council Meeting 8pm	24 ★ Recycling: Zone 3	25  Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving	26 ★ Recycling: Zone 4 ★ Depot Open ★ Municipal Offices Closed	27 Blow out all candles when you leave the room or go to bed. Avoid the use of candles in the bedroom and other areas where people may fall asleep.
28	29 ★ Recycling: Zone 5	30 ★ Recycling: Zone 6	Thanksgiving is the peak day for home cooking fires. Two thirds of home cooking fires start with the ignition of food or other cooking materials.			

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

(PAGES 2-5)

RECYCLING / GARDEN DEBRIS RULES & REGULATIONS



RECYCLING DEPOT HOURS

(Teaneck Residents Only)

FRIDAY THRU SUNDAY: 7:00 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Closed Monday thru Thursday and Municipal Holidays

DPW ADDRESS: 1600 River Road Teaneck, NJ

DPW HOURS: 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday

RECYCLING CONTAINER(S)

Please rinse/clean all residue from container(s)

PLEASE USE YELLOW TOWNSHIP-ISSUED CANS FOR:

Commingled Recyclables:

Aluminum food and beverage containers:
Aluminum soda, beer cans, and pet food cans, etc.

Glass food and beverage containers:
Flint (clear) Amber (brown) Green

Ferrous cans:
Tin/Steel (soup, food, coffee cans, etc.)

Plastic containers with # 1, 2, 5 may include:
Soda and beverage bottles of various colors, milk and water jugs, detergent bottles, shampoo bottles, bleach bottles, ketchup bottles, syrup bottles, and yogurt containers, etc.



PLEASE USE BLUE TOWNSHIP-ISSUED CANS FOR:

Paper:

Newspaper
Magazines
Catalogs
Junk Mail
Paper Bags
Cardboard
Paperback and Telephone Books
Egg Cartons (cardboard only)
Anything else made of paper



The following restrictions and criteria apply to other recycling containers used by residents for commingled recyclable material and garden debris pick-up:

- 1) Containers must be no larger than 32 gallons in size.
- 2) Containers must not have wide bottoms with narrow tops (i.e. pickle barrels).
- 3) Containers must have handles.
- 4) Containers must be made of either plastic or lightweight metal, not cardboard.
- 5) Filled containers must not exceed 50 lbs.
- 6) NEWSPAPERS/MIXED PAPER for curbside collection must be tied into bundles, not more than 12" high and secured with string, twine or cord.
- 7) Corrugated cardboard must be flattened and tied for curbside collection.

Batteries:

The Recycling Depot accepts vehicle batteries only. This material is not picked up curbside. For all other types of battery disposal, please refer to www.bcuu.org.

White Goods / Appliance Pick Up:

Public Works offers "white goods" pick-up curbside on Fridays by appointment. White goods such as washing machines, clothes dryers, and water heaters can be dropped off or picked up at no cost. Items containing Freon such as refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, and water coolers will require a \$20.00 fee per unit to cover the cost of removal and disposal. To make an appointment, please call (201) 837-1600 ext. 1727 or e-mail dpw@teanecknj.gov.

Electronics:

Computers, laptops, servers, monitors, TV's, cell phones, telecom equipment, UPS battery back up unit batteries, laptop batteries, printers, scanners, fax machines, keyboards, mice, cable, wires, hard drives, audio equipment, microwave ovens are accepted at the Recycling Depot. **Items such as TVs or radios in large wooden cabinets are not accepted.**

Used Motor Oil:

Residents are permitted to bring used motor oil to the recycling depot during normal hours of operation. The used oil cannot be mixed with any other fluid such as antifreeze.

Recyclables should be placed curbside no earlier than 6 p.m. on the evening before your scheduled collection day and no later than 7 a.m. on the day of collection. Listed to the left are the only accepted items. **(NO PLASTIC BAGS PERMITTED)**

RECYCLING DEPOT NEWS

The Township will be charging a fee of \$20.00 for the collection of the following items: Refrigerators, Freezers, Air Conditioners, Dehumidifiers, Water Coolers, etc. The fee of \$20.00 per unit is to cover the cost of the removal of Freon. The fee can be paid by check or money order made out to the "Township of Teaneck"; **no cash will be accepted.**

The following materials will be accepted at the Recycling Depot during the hours of operation:

Material Accepted

Mixed gauge steel of any dimension
All grades of Metallic Iron & Steel
Cast Iron
Aluminum
Siding, Window frames (no glass), wheels (no tires)
Copper
Brass
Aluminum Copper Radiators (automobiles)
Electric Motors in any form free of hazardous fluid
Washing Machines
Clothes Dryers
Water Heaters

Material NOT accepted

Wood, Dirt, Rubber, Tires, furniture of any kind
Gas tanks
Antifreeze, Paint
Compressed Gas, Propane tanks
NO CLOSED CYLINDERS OF ANY KIND
Pesticides, Fluorescent lights, Mercury switches



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

SANITARY SEWERS

The Township's sanitary sewer system is designed for human waste **only**. Sump pump flows, diapers, paper towels, cooking oils, grease, etc. are **prohibited**. Disposal of non-human waste may negatively affect your sewer line and/or the Township's sewage system. Residents are encouraged to consult a plumber for information about installing sewer backflow valves on their private sewer lines to prevent sewer backups. **This will require a Plumbing permit.** Furthermore, the Township recommends residents contact their insurance carrier to ensure they are covered against loss related to sewer backups. Residents experiencing back-ups during business hours should call the Department of Public Works at (201) 837-1600 ext. 1727. After business hours you should contact the Teaneck Police Department at (201) 837-2600.



SNOW REMOVAL REGULATIONS



As per Township of Teaneck Code, Section 32-6, residents, property owners, and managers must remove snow and ice from public sidewalks in a timely manner. Commercial property owners/tenants must remove such within 12 hours after snowfall stops. Residential property owners/tenants have up to 24 hours after snowfall stops to remove snow and ice. In addition, walkways to the entrances of any properties should be cleared in a timely fashion to allow emergency personnel and mail delivery carriers safe and clear access to the premises. Now is a great time to make sure that you have sturdy shovels, working snow blowers, snow shoveling agreements, and plenty of rock salt before the next snowfall.

CONFIDENTIAL PAPER SHREDDING DATES

The Township of Teaneck provides a semi-annual Confidential Paper Shredding service. Residents may bring their confidential documents to be shredded via a mobile shredding machine that will be parked in the Municipal Building Complex Parking Lot. **9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m. or until the truck is full.**

THE 2021 DATES ARE:

SPRING:

Saturday, May 1
Sunday, May 2

FALL:

Saturday, September 18
Sunday, September 19



GARDEN DEBRIS

Garden debris is collected curbside on a weekly basis starting April 6 through October 9 (please refer to the calendar). Grass, leaves and small plant material must be placed in either non-disposable containers or biodegradable paper bags, weighing no more than 50 pounds each. Branches and shrubs must be cut into lengths no greater than four feet and tied into bundles weighing less than 50 pounds each. **No branches or logs 4" or greater will be picked up.** Landscapers and lawn services must comply with these requirements. Material that is not properly contained will not be picked up. Garden debris brought to the Depot does not need to be containerized or tied, but must not be in plastic bags.



STORM DAMAGE DEBRIS

If tree parts fall during a storm, you must comply with the garden debris rules and regulations unless otherwise announced by the Township.



LEAF SEASON

Leaf removal in the autumn is a monumental project that strains the resources of the DPW. During the period of leaf drop from about October to mid-December (see your recycling calendar for specific information) residents are permitted to rake leaves, loose grass, and small plants into the roadway at curbside.

The DPW collects leaves daily during this period, but the volume is so great and the weather is so unpredictable, that the leaf pickup cannot be scheduled. Be careful to only place leaves, grass cuttings, and small plant material in the leaf piles in the street. Do not place logs, branches, stones, or large plant material in the street during the leaf collection period, as they are not suitable for composting and could damage the street cleaning equipment.

SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT / ROOT CUT



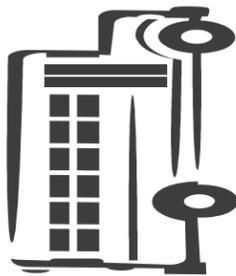
Residents are responsible for the maintenance of sidewalks adjacent to their property. In order to replace one's sidewalk, a permit must be obtained from the Engineering Department by the respective contractor or homeowner. Contractors are required to be licensed by the Township prior to any construction in order to perform concrete work in the public right of way. If tree roots are involved with the replacement of a sidewalk, the individual performing the work must contact the Public Works Department at (201) 837-1600 ext. 1751 or 1728 to arrange for the Township to evaluate and/or grind the tree roots.



October 2021



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3 Zone Info Map may be found on page 2 Weekly Garden Debris pickup ends October 7	4 ★ ★ Recycling: Zone 5 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 1 & 2	5 ★ ★ ★ Recycling: Zone 6 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 3 & 4 Council Meeting 2pm	6 ★ ★ Recycling: Zone 7 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 5 & 6	7 ★ ★ Recycling: Zone 8 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 7 & 8	8 ★ ★ Leaf season begins today; residents are permitted to rake leaves out to the curb. LEAVES ONLY!	9
10	11 Closed in Observance of Columbus Day	12 ★ Recycling: Zone 1	13 ★ Recycling: Zone 2	14 ★ Recycling: Zone 3	15 ★ Recycling: Zone 4	16
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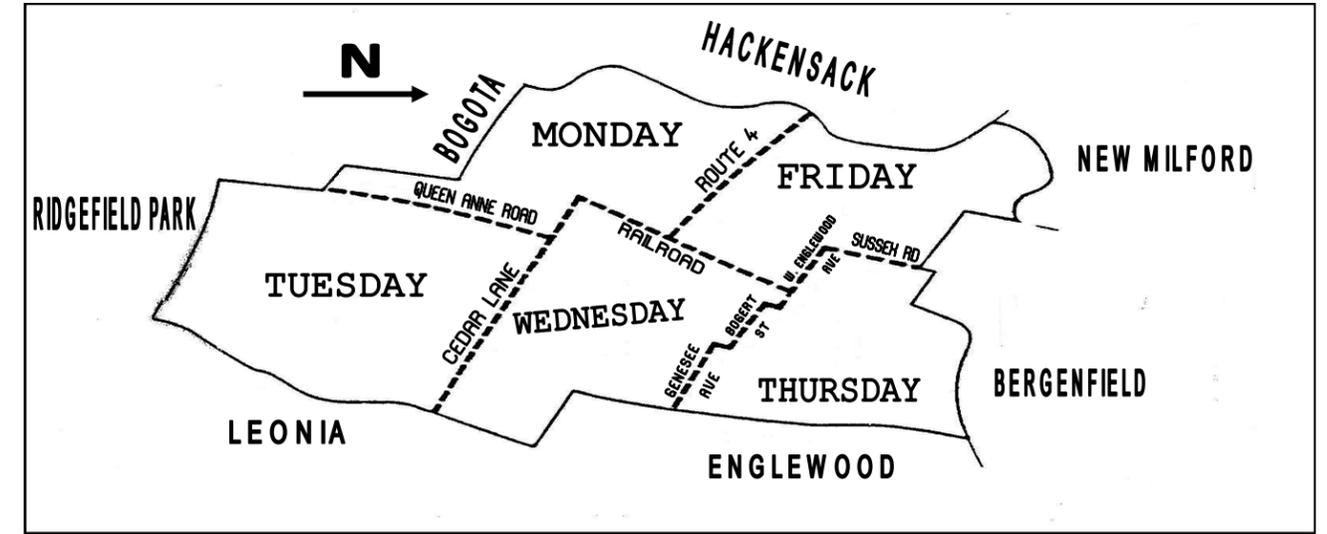


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STREET SWEEPING MAP / SCHEDULE



STREET SWEEPING

In order to maintain the cleanliness of Township streets, residential streets are swept once per week; business district streets are swept five days per week. **The street sweeping schedule is interrupted only by the mammoth task of leaf collection between October and December.** During leaf pick-up season residential streets are swept on a schedule dictated by leaf accumulation.

The effectiveness of our street sweeping program depends solely upon the cooperation of residents. Street sweepers cannot get curbside when cars are parked on the street on a sweeping day. To do your part, please ensure your vehicle(s) are off the street on your respective street sweeping day, in accordance with the following schedule:

Monday	South of Route 4 and west of the railroad south of Cedar Lane and west of Queen Anne Road.
Tuesday	East of Queen Anne Road and south of Cedar Lane.
Wednesday	East of the railroad, north of Cedar Lane to Genesee Avenue/ Bogert Street/ West Englewood Avenue.
Thursday	North of Genesee Avenue/ Bogert Street/ West Englewood Avenue to the Bergenfield line, and east of Sussex Road to the Englewood line.
Friday	North of Route 4 and west of the railroad, south of West Englewood Avenue and west of Sussex Road to the Bergenfield and New Milford borders and to the Hackensack River.
NOTE:	Boundary lines between districts run down the center of the street.

SNOW EMERGENCY—NO PARKING

Parking of any vehicle on any portion of a public street is prohibited whenever snow is falling and the accumulation is such that it covers the public streets in the township and plowing is required, except where designated. The term "snow" includes sleet, hail and/or ice.

- ◆ Before storms begin, the main streets will be pre-treated with an environmentally safe solution that reduces the temperature at which snow freezes.
- ◆ During storms, snowplows will concentrate on keeping two lanes clear on every street.
- ◆ After storms, plows will return to widen the streets curb line to curb line.

PLEASE wait to do your final clean-up after the streets are cleared, which is typically six (6) to eight (8) hours after the storm is over.

For additional off-street parking, residents are encouraged to use any of the municipal parking lots. Beginning six hours before snow fall is predicted to start and until 24 hours after snow fall has stopped, all hourly limits and meter fees in Township lots are waived. Please refer to the Township's website: www.teanecknj.gov for the list of municipal parking lots and authorized parking areas.

During winter months, snow and ice must be removed from public sidewalks after cessation of a storm. Commercial property owners or tenants have 12 hours to clear sidewalks; residential owners have 24 hours. Additionally, people who own properties at corners and at mid-block crosswalks must shovel a pathway from their shoveled sidewalk to the plowed portion of the street so that pedestrians can cross safely. Snow emergencies will be announced via Nixle & SwiftReach text message alerts. (See Page 8 for information on how to sign up.)

RESIDENT RAILCAR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Bakken Crude Oil is one of a wide selection of hazardous materials transported by the rail line through Teaneck. The rail line has been active since 1873 and as far as Township records show, there have only been two train accidents in Teaneck; one in 1930 and one in 1960. In both accidents, no hazardous materials were released and there was no injury or damage to Teaneck residents or businesses along the track. There have been several cargo fires and releases of Anhydrous Ammonia and Muriatic Acid vapors. Teaneck Fire Department has long been prepared for such occurrences. The 1977 Anhydrous Ammonia release occurred in the early morning hours on a hot night in 1977. It resulted in 50 people being brought to hospital emergency rooms, but few required more than that care. Since CSX took over the rail line, there have been no rail emergencies.

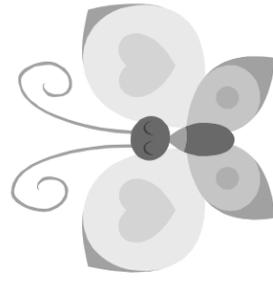
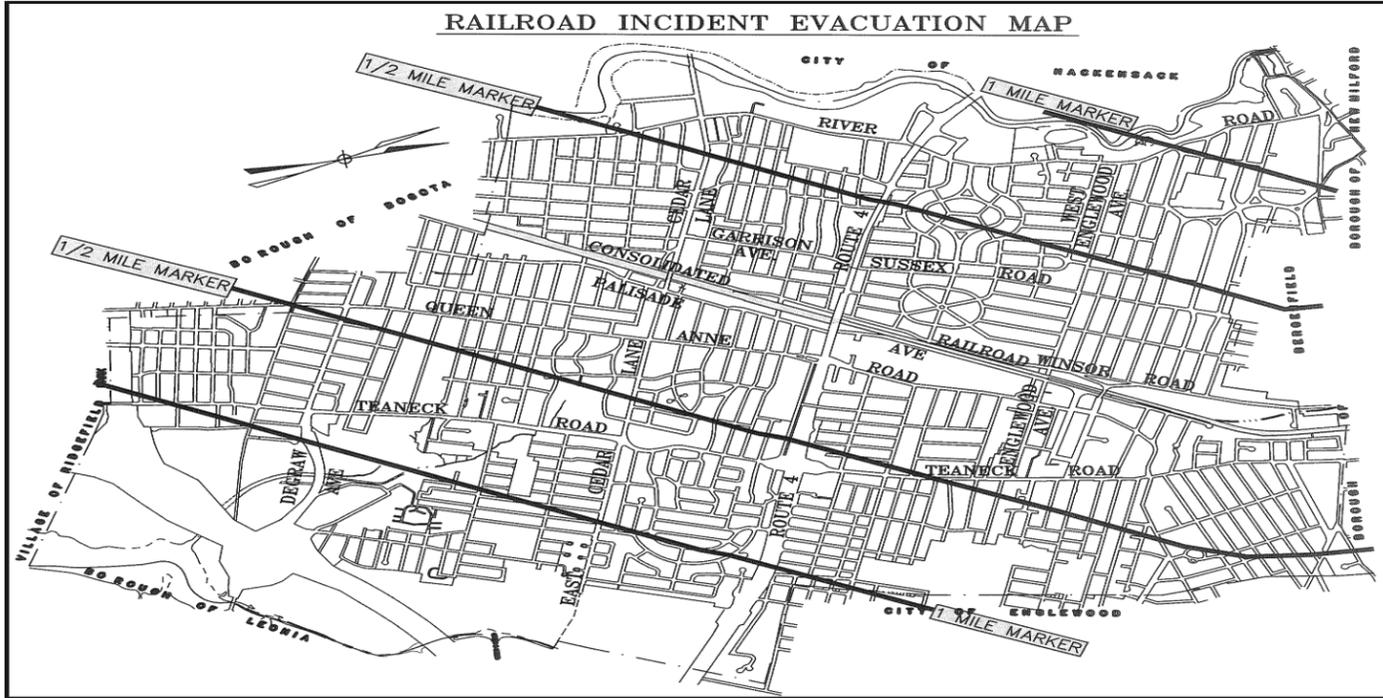
CSX track maintenance is nationally recognized for excellence. It is still incumbent on Teaneck's public safety agencies and residents to continue to be ready. Trains traveling through Teaneck carry sulfuric acid, propane, industrial alcohol, liquefied petroleum gas, anhydrous ammonia, vinyl chloride, and a host of other hazardous materials.

The most recent concern is Bakken crude oil being shipped from the Dakotas to the Philadelphia area. Bakken crude oil is petroleum from the Bakken shale formation. It is a mixture of flammable and combustible liquids and gasses in the natural state that it was recovered from the ground. It is flammable at all local temperatures and is volatile because of dissolved gasses, such as butane. While a rail emergency is unlikely, if one occurs, it will be a major emergency. Due to Teaneck's population density, an evacuation order will require at least 8,000 people to immediately leave their homes, schools, or other places to move at least 1/2 mile from the rail line.

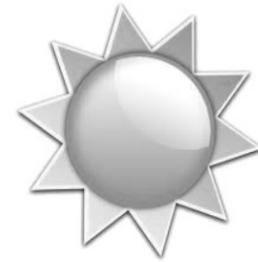
Announcements of the initial evacuation and follow up information will be made by the reverse emergency calling system (Swift 911), Township alert system, Nixle, mobile public address units and the soon to be installed Audible Neighborhood Emergency Alert System. The most important component in an emergency is your preparedness. You are encouraged to review the Township's "Resident Preparedness Guide for Emergencies". You will find the guide on the Township's website: www.teanecknj.gov. You should sign up for all of the various notification systems on the Township's website. Listed here are key areas in which preparedness is important in order for you to manage the potential impact of a rail line incident:

Evacuation Routes:

The areas that will be evacuated depend on the exact location of the incident. If you are located within one half mile of the incident you may be told to evacuate. If you live on the east side of the railroad, you should evacuate via the nearest east bound through street from your home. If you live on the west side of the railroad, you should evacuate via the nearest west bound through street from your home. These streets should be identified in advance of an emergency. Please reference the attached **RAILROAD INCIDENT EVACUATION MAP**, which shows the Township's established evacuation zone for one half mile of the railroad tracks. If you have any mobility concerns, please call '911' during an emergency. However, it is imperative for everyone to have a plan for evacuation before an emergency situation calls for you to do so. Often federal and state highways and other primary roads are designated as evacuation routes by authorities. Be aware that the Township's Office of Emergency Management (OEM) may issue specific evacuation routes.



August 2021



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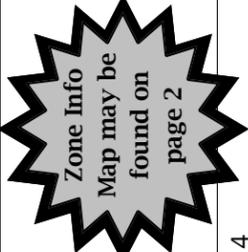
Be careful not to overload electrical circuits!

MOVIES IN THE PARK
 Aug: 10, 17, 24 7:45pm
 Votee Park
 Rain Dates: Aug: 12, 19, 26



July 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Zone Info Map may be found on page 2</p>	<p>Teaneck Community Band Concerts Wednesdays, 8:00pm Votee Park</p>			<p>★ Recycling: Zone 8 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 7 & 8</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4</p> <p>★ Parade 9:30am Queen Anne Road Community Celebration Votee Park 10am-2pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Closed in Observance of Independence Day</p>	<p>6</p> <p>★ Recycling: Zone 1 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 1 & 2</p>	<p>7</p> <p>★ Recycling: Zone 2 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 3 & 4</p>	<p>8</p> <p>★ Recycling: Zone 3 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 5 & 6</p>	<p>9</p> <p>★ Recycling: Zone 4 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 7 & 8</p>	<p>10</p> <p>★ Town-wide Garage Sale See page 12 for more info.</p>
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EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



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We recommend you leave the Township as the nature of the emergency will make traveling difficult if not impossible.

Identify in advance where you will stay after you leave the local area. This could be at the home of a family member, a friend or a hotel/motel that meets your family's needs.

Meeting Places:

Make sure that your loved ones know where to go after getting out of the house. Pick two places to meet: 1) in your neighborhood in proximity to your house in the case of a sudden emergency such as a fire and 2) outside your neighborhood in case you cannot return home.

Emergency Family Contacts:

Pick your family contacts: two people you and your family members can call in case you are separated in an emergency and need to report in regarding your status (example: "we are okay"). Remember that local telephone service may be disrupted. So it is important to have both a local contact and one who is outside of the area—preferably in another state.

Unique Needs:

Your emergency plan options must be able to accommodate any unique needs related to family pets, infants or small children and any family members with health, disability or mobility issues. If someone has trouble seeing, hearing, walking, responding to instructions, or has medical problems, you will have more to do to be prepared for an emergency. Furthermore, each household should prepare a "To Go" Kit.

Contents of "To Go" Kits:

For Adults, Elderly or Disabled

- ◆ Prescription drugs (one-week supply minimum)
- ◆ Extra eye glasses or contact lenses and supplies
- ◆ Mobility aids (wheelchair, cane)
- ◆ Hearing aids and extra batteries
- ◆ Special medical supplies (colostomy supplies, insulin and syringes, denture supplies)
- ◆ Entertainment items (games, cards, books)



Important Family Documents

- ◆ Drivers license and passports
- ◆ Credit card account numbers
- ◆ Bank account numbers
- ◆ Inventory and pictures of valuable household goods
- ◆ Certificates of birth, marriage, etc.
- ◆ Family health information (allergies, special treatment needs and the like)

For Pets

- ◆ Pet food and treats
- ◆ Collar, leash and identification tags
- ◆ Muzzle (if needed)
- ◆ Pet carrier or cage
- ◆ Medicines
- ◆ Copy of immunization records
- ◆ Comfort items (bed, special blanket, favorite toy)

The Red Cross has a **Safe and Well** registry that enables people within a disaster area to let their friends and family outside of the affected region know of their well-being. Also, there is telephone based assistance at **1-866-GET-INFO** for people without internet access.

Remember, look out for your neighbors, stay informed, plan, prepare, and respond.

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact our community. The program will train residents in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. The Teaneck CERT team is supervised by the Township's Office of Emergency Management. Any resident interested in attending CERT training can e-mail tsmith@teanecknj.gov.





May 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 ★ Confidential Paper Shredding 9am—1pm Or until truck is full		VOTEE PARK SPLASH PAD OPEN WEEKENDS STARTING MAY 29!				
2 ★ Confidential Paper Shredding 9am—1pm Or until truck is full	3 ★ Recycling: Zone 5 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 1 & 2	4 ★ Recycling: Zone 6 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 3 & 4	5 ★ Recycling: Zone 7 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 5 & 6	6 ★ Recycling: Zone 8 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 7 & 8	7	8
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30	31 Splash Pad Open Closed in Observance of Memorial Day Township Service 11am					Take a look at your house number from the street at night. See if it is completely visible, readable, and whether there is enough light for others to read it!

MISCELLANEOUS (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8)

KEEP TEANECK GREEN! MAKE THE LEAP!

Bring Your Own Bag
 Plastic bags do not biodegrade in landfills. Billions end up in our rivers and oceans, posing a danger to wildlife. You can help by **BRINGING YOUR REUSABLE BAGS** when you shop for groceries, etc. Just say, "I have my own bags". Keep a bunch in your car so you'll be prepared to help save our planet.



Refuse, Reuse, Recycle, Rot (in that order)
 Refuse what you do not need (say no to that extra straw, bag, pen, etc.). Reuse what you can; recycle what you cannot, Rot (compost) the rest. Adjust, plan ahead, be part of the solution!

Don't Keep Your Motor Running
 New Jersey idling law requires engines to be turned off if not moving for three minutes. This also applies to trucks and school buses.



Low Water Lawn Care
 Use water wisely- 30% of water consumed goes to watering lawns. Water only when the soil is dry, at dawn or dusk. Mulch flower, vegetable, tree and shrub beds to help retain moisture.

Consider Composting & Leave the Leaves
 Did you know that 25-35% of household trash can be composted? You can compost food scraps, weeds, paper products, coffee grinds and filters, cut grass, leaves, and more. 20% of landfill volume is compostable household waste. Avoid fertilizers, and mulch by using your leaves! Mulched leaves improve the soil's water retention and provide critical nutrients. Depending on the amount, you can add the surplus leaves to your flower beds, under bushes, or in your composter.



Reduce Balloon Litter
 Balloon pollution is a growing problem. Releasing balloons is simply littering. Mylar balloons (metallic) are even less friendly to the environment-they are made from metalized polyester, which is dirty in both production and disposal.

Avoid Plastic Water Bottles
 Carry your reusable water bottle: Teaneck water fountains and drinking water are tested and are safe! Install a filter on your home tap and save money. Bring your reusable coffee cup. It is cheaper and saves paper, plastic, or Styrofoam cups (Styrofoam is not biodegradable so try to avoid it).

If you have any questions or comments please contact us at:
www.teanecknj.gov/environmental-commission

BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Hotline: (201) 807-5825
 Website: WWW.BCUA.ORG

2021 DOCUMENT SHREDDING, ELECTRONICS RECYCLING, AND TIRE RECYCLING EVENTS

Bergen Community College
 400 Paramus Road, Paramus
 Sunday, April 25, 2021
 Saturday, August 7, 2021

Bergen County Campgaw Reservation
 200 Campgaw Road, Mahwah
 Saturday, June 5, 2021
 Sunday, October 3, 2021

Collection Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (rain or shine)

2021 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) COLLECTION EVENTS

Bergen County Utilities Authority
 Foot of Empire Blvd., Moonachie
 Saturday, March 6, 2021
 Saturday, November 13, 2021

Bergen County Campgaw Reservation
 200 Campgaw Road, Mahwah
 Saturday, May 15, 2021
 Saturday, July 10, 2021
 Saturday, September 11, 2021

Bergen Community College
 400 Paramus Road, Paramus
 Sunday, April 11, 2021
 Sunday, June 13, 2021
 Sunday, October 17, 2021

Collection Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (rain or shine)



POWER OUTAGE TIPS



BEFORE AN OUTAGE

- ◆ Check flashlights and battery-powered portable radios to ensure that they are working and that you have extra batteries. A radio is an important source of weather and emergency information during a storm. Inexpensive weather radios that broadcast automatically in the event of an alert can be purchased at various retailers.
- ◆ Make sure that your home is properly insulated. Caulk and install weather-stripping on doors and windows to keep cold air out.
- ◆ Install storm windows or cover windows with plastic from the inside to provide insulation.
- ◆ To prevent pipes from freezing, wrap them in insulation or layers of newspaper covered with plastic to keep out moisture.
- ◆ Let faucets drip a little to prevent freezing.
- ◆ Know the location of your water shutoff valves.
- ◆ In the event that the water supply may be affected, fill your bathtub and spare containers with water. Water in the bathtub should be used for sanitation only—pouring a pail of water from the tub directly into the toilet bowl will flush the toilet.
- ◆ Set your refrigerator and freezer to their coldest settings. During an outage, do not open the fridge or freezer doors; food can stay cold in a full refrigerator or a half-full freezer for up to 24 hours. Full freezers can stay cold for up to 48 hours! Just remember to reset the fridge and freezer back to normal once power is restored.
- ◆ If you have medication that requires refrigeration, check with your pharmacist for guidance on proper storage during an extended outage.
- ◆ Review the process for manually bypassing an electric garage door opener.

DURING AN OUTAGE

- ◆ Contact PSE&G at **800-436-7734** or www.PSEG.com to advise them of an outage in your area
- ◆ To view current outages in your area visit: www.outagecenter.PSEG.com
- ◆ Dress for the season, wearing several layers of loose-fitting, lightweight, warm clothing rather than one heavy layer of clothing. Outer garments should be tightly woven and water-repellent.
- ◆ Mittens are better than gloves.
- ◆ Wear a hat: most body heat is lost through the top of the head.
- ◆ Cover your mouth with a scarf to protect your lungs.
- ◆ Watch for signs of frostbite: loss of feeling and white or pale appearance in extremities such as fingers, toes, ear lobes, or the tip of the nose. If you see signs of frostbite, seek medical help immediately.
- ◆ Watch for signs of hypothermia: uncontrollable shivering, memory loss, disorientation, incoherence, slurred speech, drowsiness and apparent exhaustion. If symptoms are detected, get the victim to a warm location, remove any wet clothing, and warm the center of the body first. If the victim is conscious, give warm, non-alcoholic beverages. Seek medical help as soon as possible.
- ◆ In order to protect against possible voltage irregularities that can occur when power is restored, unplug all sensitive electronic equipment, including TVs, VCRs, stereos, microwave ovens, cordless telephones, computers, answering machines and garage door openers.

AFTER AN OUTAGE

- ◆ Be extra cautious if you go outside to inspect for damage after a storm. Downed or hanging electrical wires can be hidden by snowdrifts, trees, or debris and may be live. Never attempt to touch or move downed lines, and keep children and pets away from them.
- ◆ Check in with and help your neighbors, especially the elderly and physically challenged.
- ◆ Stay indoors until downed power lines are secured.
- ◆ Do not touch anything power lines are touching such as tree branches or fences. Always assume a downed line is a live line. Call your utility company to report any outage-related problem.

DANGERS OF CARBON MONOXIDE

UNDERSTANDING THE RISKS

What is carbon monoxide?

- ◆ Carbon monoxide, or CO, is an odorless, colorless, and toxic gas. Because it is impossible to see, taste, or smell, CO can kill even before you are aware it is in your home. At lower levels of exposure, CO causes mild effects that are often mistaken for flu symptoms, including headaches, dizziness, disorientation, nausea, and fatigue. The effects of CO exposure can vary greatly from person to person depending on age, overall health, and the concentration and length of exposure.

Where does carbon monoxide come from?

- ◆ CO gas can come from several sources, such as gas-fired appliances, charcoal grills, wood-burning furnaces or fireplaces, and motor vehicles.

Who is at risk?

- ◆ Everyone is at risk for CO poisoning, though medical experts believe that unborn babies, infants, children, senior citizens, and people with heart or lung problems are at the greatest risk.

PROTECT YOURSELF & YOUR FAMILY FROM CO POISONING

- ◆ Install at least one carbon monoxide alarm with an audible warning signal near the sleeping areas and outside individual bedrooms. Choose an alarm that is listed by UL (Underwriters Laboratories). Carbon monoxide alarms measure levels of CO over time and are designed to sound an alarm before an average, healthy adult would experience symptoms. It is very possible that you may not be experiencing any symptoms when you hear the alarm, but that does not mean that CO is not present.
- ◆ Have a qualified professional check all fuel-burning appliances, furnaces, venting, and chimney systems at least once a year.
- ◆ Never use your range or oven to help heat your home.
- ◆ Never use a charcoal grill or hibachi inside your home or garage.
- ◆ Never use a generator inside or in close proximity to your home.
- ◆ Never keep a car running in a garage. Even if the garage doors are open, normal circulation will not provide enough fresh air to reliably prevent a dangerous buildup of CO.
- ◆ When purchasing an existing home, have a qualified technician evaluate the integrity of the heating and cooking systems, as well as the sealed spaces between the garage and house.
- ◆ Natural gas detectors are also available in case of a gas leak in your home. They can be purchased as a CO/Natural Gas detector.

The presence of a CO alarm in your home can save your life!

WHAT DO I DO IF MY CO ALARM GOES OFF?

- ◆ Call 911 immediately and be sure to tell them how many people are feeling ill and what their symptoms are.
- ◆ Evacuate all occupants immediately.
- ◆ Do not re-enter the home without the approval of a fire department representative
- ◆ Call a qualified professional to repair the source of the CO

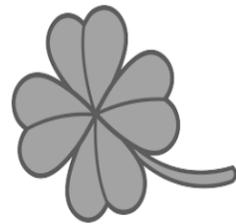


April 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>4</p> <p>Zone Info Map may be found on page 2</p> <p>Recycling Depot Closed in Observance of Easter Sunday</p>	<p>5</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 5 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 1 & 2</p>	<p>6</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 6 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 3 & 4</p>	<p>7</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 7 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 5 & 6</p>	<p>8</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 8 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 7 & 8</p> <p>Recycling Depot Open</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Municipal offices & Recycling Depot Closed in Observance of Good Friday</p>	<p>10</p> <p>★ Town-wide Garage Sale See page 12 for more info.</p>
<p>11</p> <p>★ Town-wide Garage Sale See page 12 for more info.</p>	<p>12</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 1 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 1 & 2</p>	<p>13</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 2 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 3 & 4</p> <p>Council Meeting 8pm</p>	<p>14</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 3 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 5 & 6</p>	<p>15</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 4 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 7 & 8</p> <p>National Tax Day</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 5 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 1 & 2</p>	<p>20</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 6 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 3 & 4</p>	<p>21</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 7 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 5 & 6</p> <p>Administrative Professional Day</p>	<p>22</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 8 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 7 & 8</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 1 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 1 & 2</p>	<p>27</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 2 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 3 & 4</p> <p>Council Meeting 8pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 3 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 5 & 6</p>	<p>29</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 4 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 7 & 8</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>★ ★ Recycling: Zone 5 Garden Debris Pickup: Zones 7 & 8</p>

Smoke & CO detectors do not last forever. Smoke alarms need to be replaced every 10 years and CO alarms every 5-7 years.



March 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 Daylight Saving Time Begins today; set your clocks ahead an hour. 	8 ★ Recycling: Zone 5	9 ★ Recycling: Zone 6 	10 ★ Recycling: Zone 7	11 ★ Recycling: Zone 8 ★ Council Budget Meeting 7pm	12 ★ Recycling: Zone 8 ★ Council Budget Meeting 7pm	13 ★ Recycling: Zone 8 ★ Council Budget Meeting 7pm
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Zone Info Map may be found on page 2

Change your clock & batteries!

Full-time Garden Debris pick-up begins March 29!

Reminder: In a snow emergency there is NO parking on Township streets!

FIRE DEPARTMENT

SPACE HEATER SAFETY

Forecasters predict a long, cold winter ahead, and the Teaneck Fire Department is concerned residents may supplement their central heating system with various types of space heaters. With that in mind, the Fire Department is providing the following information on space heaters and their use.



In a residential environment, space heaters (since they are portable) should be placed away from the edge of a bed or couch, and away from laundry or other household items that may fall on them. Space heaters need a minimum clearance of three feet of space around them, free from furniture, clothing, draperies, curtains, toys and other loose items of wood, plastic, cloth or paper. This clearance needs to be strictly maintained to ensure the safety of all occupants. Be aware that pets can also pose a danger by placing themselves or objects too close to heaters.

Electric heaters must only be plugged directly into a permanent wall outlet. Using an extension cord, even a "heavy duty appliance" extension cord, will drop the voltage and cause the electric heater to draw even more current, heating the plastic insulation which can cause the extension cord to erupt in flames. The outlet itself must be in good condition, tightly grasping the plug. If the cord is three-pronged, use only a three-pronged outlet. Adapters should not be used, as they can cause the same fires as extension cords.

If you use a kerosene heater, you are bringing a flammable liquid indoors. Kerosene heaters must be allowed to cool, then taken outdoors away from the house to be fueled. Never use gasoline or used motor oil to fuel a kerosene heater, and be sure to clean up any spills. The right grade of kerosene must be used to avoid an explosion/fire. Kerosene heaters also use up oxygen and emit carbon monoxide, so keep a window partly open when using one. Kerosene heaters are illegal in any rental housing, business, commercial or public building, according to the NJ Uniform Fire Code.

If you are contemplating a permanent additional heat source, such as a fireplace, wood stove, or coal stove, stop by the Building Department first. Permanent installations of fuel-burning appliances are strictly regulated by the NJ Uniform Construction Code. Building inspectors will carefully check that all clearance, venting and other safety requirements of the manufacturer's labeled installation instructions are completely followed.

Should you have any fire safety questions, contact the Teaneck Fire Department, Fire Prevention Bureau at 201-808-8080, x5202. For fixed heater code questions, the Teaneck Building Department can be reached at (201) 837-1600, x1100.

PROPER CHIMNEY CARE

Chimney fires can burn explosively – noisy and dramatic enough to be detected by neighbors or people passing by. Flames or dense smoke may shoot from the top of the chimney. Homeowners report being startled by a low rumbling sound that reminds them of a freight train or a low flying airplane. However, those are only the chimney fires you *know* about. Slow-burning chimney fires don't get enough air or have fuel to be dramatic or visible. But, the temperatures they reach are very high and can cause as much damage to the chimney structure – and nearby combustible parts of the house – as their more spectacular cousins.



Creosote & Chimney Fires: What You Must Know

Fireplaces and wood stoves are designed to safely contain wood-fuel fires, while providing heat for a home. The chimneys that serve them have the job of expelling the by-products of combustion – the substances produced when wood burns. These include smoke, water vapor, gases, unburned wood particles, hydrocarbon, tar fog and assorted minerals. As these substances exit the fireplace or wood stove, and flow up into the relatively cooler chimney, condensation occurs. The resulting residue that sticks to the inner walls of the chimney is called creosote.

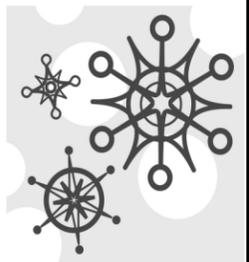
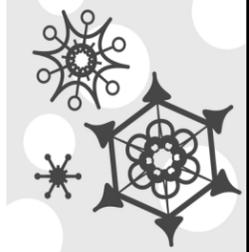
Creosote is black or brown in appearance. It can be crusty and flaky...tar-like, drippy and sticky...or shiny and hardened. Often, all forms will occur in one chimney system. Whatever form it takes, creosote is highly combustible. If it builds up in sufficient quantities – and the internal flue temperature is high enough – the result could be a chimney fire. Certain conditions encourage the buildup of creosote. Restricted air supply, unseasoned wood and, cooler than normal chimney temperatures are all factors that can accelerate the buildup of creosote on chimney flue walls. Air supply may be restricted by closing the glass doors, by failing to open the damper wide enough, and the lack of sufficient make-up air to move heated smoke up the chimney rapidly (the longer the smoke's "residence time" in the flue, the more likely is it that creosote will form). A wood stove's air supply can be limited by closing down the stove damper or air inlets too soon or too much. Burning unseasoned wood – because so much energy is used initially just to drive off the water trapped in the cells of the logs – keeps the resulting smoke cooler, than if seasoned wood is used. In the case of wood stoves, overloading the firebox with wood in an attempt to get a longer burn time also contributes to creosote buildup.

GOOD MORNING CHECKUP PROGRAM

Administered by the Teaneck Fire Department, this program is designed to assist elderly and shut-in residents. On a daily basis, the department contacts participants to determine their well-being. Please contact the Teaneck Fire Department at (201) 808-8080 to sign up.



January 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Zone Info Map may be found on page 2	4 ★ Recycling: Zone 1 ★ Christmas Tree ★ Pickup: Zones 1 & 2	5 ★ Recycling: Zone 2 ★ Christmas Tree ★ Pickup: Zones 3 & 4 ★ Council Meeting 8pm	6 ★ Recycling: Zone 3 ★ Christmas Tree ★ Pickup: Zones 5 & 6	7 ★ Recycling: Zone 4 ★ Christmas Tree ★ Pickup: Zones 7 & 8	8 ★ Closed in observance of New Year's Day	9 ★
10	11 ★ Recycling: Zone 5	12 ★ Recycling: Zone 6	13 ★ Recycling: Zone 7	14 ★ Recycling: Zone 8	15 ★	16 ★
17	18 ★ Closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day	19 ★ Recycling: Zone 1 ★ Christmas Tree ★ Pickup: Zones 1 & 2 ★ Council Meeting 8pm	20 ★ Recycling: Zone 2 ★ Christmas Tree ★ Pickup: Zones 3 & 4	21 ★ Recycling: Zone 3 ★ Christmas Tree ★ Pickup: Zones 5 & 6	22 ★ Recycling: Zone 4 ★ Christmas Tree ★ Pickup: Zones 7 & 8	23 ★
24	25 ★ Recycling: Zone 5	26 ★ Recycling: Zone 6	27 ★ Recycling: Zone 7	28 ★ Recycling: Zone 8	29	30
31						

Reminder: In a snow emergency, there is NO parking on Township streets!

Christmas Tree Pickup Service will operate the weeks of January 4 & 18.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

HEAT REGULATIONS

Landlords who provide heat should be aware that beginning the 1st of September until the 1st of June each year, they are required to maintain the following as per Township of Teaneck Ordinance 21-31 and 21-32:

Heat must be furnished for every occupied room in your dwelling so that the minimum temperature is 70 degrees Fahrenheit between 6am and 11pm and a minimum temperature of 65 degrees Fahrenheit between 11pm and 6am or whenever the street temperature falls below 55 degrees Fahrenheit. You must also contact the Health Department whenever a breakdown occurs requiring a repair to the heating system.

This is also a great time to install carbon monoxide detectors and smoke detectors. These devices can be purchased at any local hardware store or home supply center. If you have any questions, please contact the Teaneck Health Department at (201) 837-1600 ext. 1500 or health@teanecknj.gov.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE

The Township of Teaneck reminds all residents and property owners to comply with the Property Maintenance Code, Sec. 29A-9(i)(c) regarding the numbering of homes and lots:

“The number so assigned to each building shall be displayed by the owner or occupant so that they can easily be read by a person seated in a vehicle on the abutting street which is named in the address. Each house number: shall be in Arabic numerals; shall be at least five feet above grade; shall be mounted either above or to the side of the entrance door or on a post or other suitable holder if same is relatively near to the walkway affording access to the building, except that if the building is set so far back from the abutting street that the number cannot be read by a person seated in a vehicle on the abutting street, then the number must be placed on a post so that it can be so read; shall not be obstructed by shrubs or other materials; and shall be in a contrasting color to its background. All commercial buildings that have more than one entrance must have such numbers adjacent to each door.”

STIGMA FREE

The Township of Teaneck is a STIGMA-FREE ZONE. Stigma-free focuses its attention on the following objectives:

- ◆ Reduce the stigma associated with mental illness
- ◆ Raise awareness of mental health issues and illness
- ◆ Create a culture where those suffering from mental illness feel supported by the community
- ◆ Encourage residents with mental health issues to seek treatment or other assistance without fear of being stigmatized
- ◆ Providing mental health first aid training for professionals and non-professionals
- ◆ Holding educational seminars on mental illness, health & well-being
- ◆ Sharing valuable information on our website

PET LICENSES

The Health Department would like to remind dog and cat owners that license renewals begin on January 2, 2021 for dogs and April 1, 2021 for cats. You will have until February 28, 2021 to renew dog licenses and until May 31, 2021 to renew cat licenses. The fee is \$15 per non-spayed or non-neutered animals and \$12 for those that are spayed or neutered. After the respective deadline dates, a \$15 late fee will be added. Personal checks are the preferred method of payment and should be made payable to the Township of Teaneck. Residents who have new animals or who need renewal applications may obtain one on-line at www.teanecknj.gov under Health Department “Documents & Forms” or by calling (201) 837-1600 ext. 1500. Free rabies shots can be arranged at the Bergen Veterinary Hospital at (201) 837-3470, the Bergen County Animal Shelter at (201) 229-4600, or residents may call the BCAS at 201-229-4600 for available clinic dates. Pet owners should note that rabies shots that expire prior to November 1, 2021 for dogs and February 1, 2022 for cats, are NOT valid for licensing purposes.

PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG

Residents are reminded that under Township of Teaneck Code, Section 6-28, you must pick up after your dog and dispose of such waste immediately and in a sanitary manner. This includes both public and private property. Dogs being walked in public must be curbed and the person walking the dog must carry a suitable method of waste disposal. Dogs must be properly leashed or restrained at all times when being walked. Furthermore, dogs must be licensed with the Health Department and have a current rabies vaccination. For further information, please contact the Health Department at: health@teanecknj.gov or (201) 837-1600 ext. 1500.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal control services in Teaneck are handled by Bergen County Animal Control (BCAC). Residents are to contact the BCAC at (201) 229-4616 to report the following:

- * Sick, injured, dangerous or stray animals
- * Removal of dead animals on public property
- * Removal of nuisance wildlife on public property
- * Report a lost pet

Bergen County Animal Control will respond to complaints on private property for the removal of dead animals or to trap nuisance wildlife and will charge a fee directly to the resident for these services. Dead animals located in public places can be called in to the Department of Public Works for removal at: (201) 837-1600 (x1700).

For after-hours service calls, residents are to contact the Teaneck Police Department at (201) 837-2600 (24 hours a day/365 days a year).

All other non-emergency animal calls/complaints can be made to the Health Department at: (201) 837-1600 (x1500) or health@teanecknj.gov.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

STORMWATER REGULATIONS A Guide to Healthy Habits for Cleaner Water



Stormwater pollution is one of New Jersey's greatest threats to clean and plentiful water. Pollution on streets, parking lots and lawns is washed by rain into storm drains, then directly to our drinking water supplies, as well as the ocean and lakes. Fertilizer, oil, pesticides, detergents, pet waste, grass clippings and more all end up in our water!

By making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of stormwater. This will produce cleaner water and save the high cost of cleaning up once water becomes dirty.

As part of New Jersey's initiative to keep our water clean and plentiful and to meet federal requirements, many municipalities and other public agencies, including colleges and military bases, must adopt ordinances prohibiting various activities that contribute to stormwater pollution. Breaking these rules can result in fines and other penalties.

As a resident or business owner, it is important to know easy things you can do every day to help protect our water:

Limit your use of fertilizers and pesticides:

- ◆ Perform a soil test to see if you need a fertilizer
- ◆ Do not apply fertilizers if heavy rain is predicted
- ◆ Research alternatives for pesticides
- ◆ Maintain a small lawn and keep the rest of your property or yard in a natural state with trees and other native vegetation that requires little or no fertilizer
- ◆ If you use fertilizers and pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to correctly apply it. Make sure you properly store or discard any unused portions.

Proper use and disposal of hazardous products:

- ◆ Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze & paints
- ◆ Do not pour any hazardous products down a storm drain; storm drains are usually connected to local bodies of water and the water is not treated
- ◆ If you have hazardous products in your home or workplace, make sure you store or dispose of them properly. Read the label for guidance.
- ◆ Use natural or less toxic alternatives when possible
- ◆ Recycle used motor oil
- ◆ In the event of a hazardous material spill, immediately call 9-1-1

Keep pollution out of storm drains:

- ◆ Municipalities and many other public agencies are required to mark certain storm drain inlets with messages reminding people that storm drains are connected to bodies of local water
- ◆ Do not let sewage or other waste flow into a stormwater system

Do not feed wild life:

- ◆ Do not feed pigeons, ducks, and geese in public areas

Do not litter:

- ◆ Place litter in trash receptacles
- ◆ Recycle. Recycle. Recycle.
- ◆ Participate in community clean-ups

Dispose of yard waste properly:

- ◆ Follow the Township's yard waste rules; keep leaves and grass out of storm drains
- ◆ Use leaves and grass clippings as a resource for compost
- ◆ Use a mulching mower that recycles grass clippings into the lawn

Clean up after your pets:

- ◆ Use newspaper, bags or pooper-scoopers to pick up waste.
- ◆ Dispose of wrapped pet waste in the trash; Never discard pet waste in a storm drain

CONTACT INFORMATION

For more information on stormwater related topics, visit www.njstormwater.org or contact the NJ Department of Environmental Protection, Municipal Storm Water Regulation Program at (609) 633-7021. Additional information is also available at the US Environmental Protection Agency websites:

www.epa.gov/npdes/npdes-stormwater-program

www.epa.gov/nps

DUMPSTER POD / PERMITS

The use of Temporary Storage (PODS) and Refuse Containers (Roll-off or Dumpster) is regulated by the Engineering and Building departments, depending on their location.

Engineering Department

If a dumpster is to be placed on a street, an Engineering permit is required. The fees are \$75.00 for the first day and \$50.00 for each additional day including weekends and holidays. If it is a county road, a permit is required from Bergen County. PODS are not permitted in the street under any circumstance.

Building Department

Dumpsters and PODS are permitted in the driveway or on a hard surface. They may be placed on yards/unpaved surfaces only with the permission of the Construction Official. The fees for these are \$30.00. The permit is valid for 30 days and may be renewable a maximum of two times. If it is associated with a construction permit, the permit is valid until seven days after the CO is issued, or 180 days, whichever is less.

Information, rules, and applications can be obtained from the respective departments at the municipal building.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

BUILDING PERMITS 101

PLAN AHEAD FOR YOUR SPRING PROJECTS

The time to start planning for your spring home improvement projects is now. While most homeowners are enjoying the sights of a winter wonderland, savvy residents with foresight are planning for the construction of their new decks, patios, pools, or additions. Doing one's homework is a key factor in realizing an enjoyable, cost-effective project.

PROPERTY SURVEYS

All projects that involve physical changes to your property will require the submission of an accurate property survey. Start early in the planning process to locate your survey and verify that it shows all improvements on the property. This survey must show not only the outline of the house but also the driveway, all walkways, mechanical equipment units, swimming pools, sheds, detached garages, etc. These surveys may only be prepared by a surveyor licensed in New Jersey. The property survey will be used to show location of the proposed construction, verify distance from the property line to the construction, and to calculate the percentage of the lot covered by improvements. When your project is completed, have your survey updated so you can be ready for the next project.

IT ALL STARTS WITH ZONING

Decks, patios, pools, and additions all require a Zoning Permit prior to installation. An application for a zoning permit can be obtained from the Building Department or on the Township's website. Instructions for completing this application are included with the form. It is recommended that you call the Building Department and schedule a meeting with the Zoning Officer early on in the planning process. You must bring a copy of your survey with you so the Zoning Officer can provide development requirements tailored to your property. Based on the volume of applications submitted to the office, it may take up to 10 business days to review your application, so please plan ahead. When your project complies with all Township development regulations, your application will be approved and you will be issued a Zoning Permit. Now you are ready for the next step.

TELL US WHAT YOU WANT TO BUILD

Decks, pools, and additions all require construction permits issued under the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code. The applications for these projects can be obtained from the Building Department, from the Township website, or through the State Department of Community Affairs' Division of Codes and Standards website (www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/codes). These applications ask for technical information about how your project will be constructed. Your architect or contractor can provide information necessary for completing the forms. Here again, Building Department staff is available to discuss your project, either in person, on the telephone, or by e-mail. Staff members can let you know what codes need to be met and what drawings need to be submitted. Plan ahead: Based on the volume of applications submitted to the office and the complexity of your project, it may take up to 20 business days to review your application. Some projects involve review by the Building, Electric, Plumbing, and Fire Inspectors. When your project complies with all of the State codes, your application will be approved and you will be issued a Construction Permit.

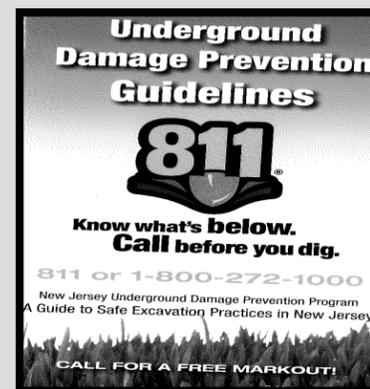
GETTING A SHOVEL IN THE GROUND

Finally, permits in hand, construction can begin. Don't forget to call for your progress inspections. Either the homeowner, architect, or

contractor can assume the responsibility for calling for inspections. These inspections provide assurance that your project is being built in accordance with state codes. Again, plan ahead: There may be many other projects under construction at the same time, although with a full-time inspection staff, many inspection requests may be accommodated the next business day!

CLOSING IT ALL OUT

Prior to occupying your new space, Final Inspections must be performed. In addition, a Final As Built Survey may be required according to the Zoning and/or Engineering approvals. You then may apply for the Certificate of Occupancy, which must be obtained prior to use of the new space. The safety of the people using your new deck, pool, or addition is our primary concern.



RECREATION DEPARTMENT

RECREATION HIGHLIGHTS & SPECIAL EVENTS

(subject to change based on Covid-19 restrictions)

- ◆ **Votee Park Splash Pad** will open on **Saturday, May 29** from 10:00am - 8:00pm.
- ◆ **Votee Park pool** will open on **Saturday, June 19** (check website for details).
- ◆ Township **sprinklers** will open on **Monday, June 21** (check website for details).
- ◆ Join us for our annual **July 4th parade** that will begin at 9:30am along Queen Anne Road then come and attend our **30th annual Community Celebration** from 10:00am to 2:00pm at Votee Park!
- ◆ Come and see the **Teaneck Community Band Concert Series** every **Wednesday** at 8:00pm in **July** at Votee Park!
- ◆ Our annual **Movies in the Park** will take place on **August 10, 17, and 24** at the Votee Park around 7:45pm. Come and enjoy your favorite movie and some free popcorn!